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co-ordinates of said points in a predetermined reference co-ordinate system;

the device including the improvement whereby:

each of said electrodes is connected by means of respective resistive components to at least three 5 summing lines in such a manner that at least two of the said lines deliver analog signals whose amplitudes are substantially linear functions of the desired co-ordinates.

- 2. A device according to claim 1, wherein the number of electrodes is selected in such a manner that the distance between successive pairs of adjacent electrodes is no greater than the acceptable width of a peripheral distortion margin on the resistive surface.
- 3. A device according to claim 2, having at least 16 electrodes.
- 4. A device according to claim 1, wherein the signal obtained on one of said summing lines varies as a linear function of one co-ordinate and the signal obtained on 20 another of said summing lines varies as a linear function of the other co-ordinate.
- 5. A device according to claim 4, having four summing lines, wherein the signals obtained on the sum- 25 ming lines are the same linear functions respectively of: a first co-ordinate, minus said first co-ordinate, the other co-ordinate, and minus said other co-ordinate.
- 6. A device according to claim 5, including means for generating two analog signals whose amplitudes are 30 tive surface is rectangular in shape. proportional to the co-ordinates by performing a linear

combination of the signals obtained on the summing

- 7. A device according to claim 1, wherein the sum of the conductances connecting any of the electrodes to the summing lines has a predetermined fixed value G such that  $R_{\square}$  is greater than or of the same order as: (1/G); where  $R_{\square}$  is the surface resistivity of the resistive surface and N is the number of electrodes.
- 8. A device according to claim 7, wherein the signals 10 obtained on the summing lines are amplified by means of amplifiers having respective input impedances Z such that Z is less than or of the same order as:

$$\frac{1}{N} \cdot \frac{1}{G}$$

- 9. A device according to claim 1, wherein the resistive surface is disk-shaped.
- 10. A device according to claim 9, wherein the conductance G(n, 1) of the resistive connection between an electrode having  $\theta_n$  as its polar co-ordinate angle in said system of reference co-ordinates, and a summing line intended to provide a signal which is a linear function of the co-ordinate of a point localizing an event relative to an axis whose polar co-ordinate is  $\theta_1$  in said system of reference co-ordinates, has a value which is selected to be substantially equal to  $K(1+\cos(\theta_n-\theta_1))$ , where K is a predetermined constant.
- 11. A device according to claim 1, wherein the resis-

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